

THE
CASE
OF

Sir John Blunt.

THAT by above Thirty Years diligent Application to Business, he had acquired a very plentiful Estate before Christmas, 1719.

He hath *Seven Children* by his *First Wife*.

He had with his *present Wife* a large Fortune, and her Settlement is only of her own Fortune, the Income whereof, during his Life, will, by the Bill now depending in the Honourable House of Commons, be taken away with the rest of his Estate.

He solemnly promised her before Marriage, That he would make a considerable Addition to her Fortune, which he always thought himself bound, and did ever intend, faithfully to fulfil; and therefore did put several Sums into the *South-Sea* Stock and Subscriptions, which he publicly declared and fully intended should be for her Use and Benefit: But hath brought the same, with the Gain thereof, into the Account of his Estate, in his Inventory delivered to the Barons of the *Exchequer*. So that *she has had no Manner of Profit or Advantage whatsoever from the late Rise of the South-Sea Stock*, nor have he or she, or any In Trust for them, or either of them, any Estate, but what is in his said Inventory. And she hath by a former Husband *Eleven Children and Grandchildren*; and her Childrens Fortunes being in the Redeemable Annuities subscribed into the *South-Sea* Company, the greatest Part thereof is sunk and lost thereby:

Wherefore he most humbly Hopes for the Compassion of the Honourable House of Commons towards himself, his Wife, and their numerous Family; and that he may have an Allowance out of his Estate, in some Proportion to what his Estate is, or to what it was before Christmas, 1719. And suitable to so large a Family.

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